

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Table beginning on page 5, line 6, and continuing onto page 6, as follows:

Table: Evaluation of the test results

	according to the invention	similarly to DE 34 40 685 <u>EP 0 264 065</u>	similarly to EP 0 264 065 <u>DE 34 40 685</u>
formation of by-products in kg per tonne of target product	11	17	10
1,2-dichloroethane yield in % by weight	99.52	99.3	99.54
total energy consumption of EDC cracking in kW/t of vinyl chloride	904	890	943
energy consumption of EDC vaporization in kW/t of vinyl chloride	201 (by cracking gas)	210 (by cracking gas)	235 (by steam)
furnace operating time between cleaning periods in months	19	10	20
refrigeration output for liquefying the hydrogen chloride at the top of the HCl column in kW/t of target product	35.4	33.7	92.5